PUBLIC KEY INFRASTRUCTURE TOKEN ISSUANCE AND BINDING

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A token issuance and binding process includes providing a plurality of tokens, each token having a unique ID number stored therein. A unique public/private key pair is generated for each token and each token ID number and corresponding public key is stored in a directory/database. Each private key is stored in its respective token and a unique ID number of a user is bound to a corresponding one of the plurality of tokens by storing the correspondence there between in the directory/database.